

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

WHEREAS, thousands of children are raised by grandparents, aunts, uncles, or other relatives or family friends because their parents are unable to do so; and

WHEREAS, grandparents and relatives provide for and nurture children on a day to day basis, often from early childhood to adulthood; and

WHEREAS, grandparents, aunts, uncles, other relatives and family friends put their life plans on hold to raise children, often in unplanned circumstances; and

WHEREAS, research shows that ongoing connections to family members encourages resilience and flourishing in children; and

WHEREAS, it takes a village to raise children, and with the help of community collaborators, kinship caregivers can continue to raise and support children in Vermont.

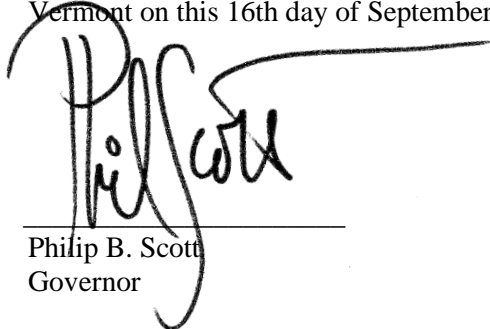
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim September 19 – 23, 2022 as

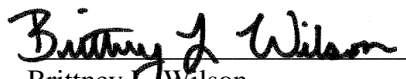
KINSHIP CARE WEEK

in Vermont.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 16th day of September, A.D. 2022.


Philip B. Scott
Governor


Brittney L. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs